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Rev. J. J. Watts is conducting a protracted meeting at the M. E. church, South, in Salisbury.

The *Courier* is pained to hear that Mrs. J. W. Stobaugh of near Sumner is very low with consumption.

Mrs. P. M. Simpson of Brunswick presented her liege lord with a bouncing 10-pound boy the 9th inst.

Chariton county's colored teachers will hold a one-day institute at Salisbury, Saturday, February 25th.

Although the Salisbury *Democrat* has just entered upon its 17th year, it has longer whiskers than some of its older contemporaries.

The city of Salisbury paid off \$500 of her electric light bonds last week and also paid \$480 interest on the bonded indebtedness of the city.

John P. Winn and family of Salisbury have taken up their residence in Waco, Texas, where Mr. Winn has entered the employ of a large real estate firm.

John Kelliker, the Brunswick cigar manufacturer, accompanied by Will Lincoln, recently of the Brunswick *News*, has gone to Texas on a prospecting tour.

A Chinese washee-washee establishment was opened at Brunswick the first of this week. The proprietor hails from Kansas City and his name is Wing Sung, although he was never known to sing.

A BATTLE FOR LIFE.—You need for perfect health a plentiful and constant supply of pure new blood. Beggs Flood Purifier and Blood-maker tones the stomach and assists digestion. We sell it. Sneed Drug Company.

Elder J. B. Jeans, late of Hamilton, Mo., has been called to the pastorate of the Christian church at Rothville, and entered upon his ministerial duties at that place last Sunday. Elder Jeans is also pastor of the Christian church at Sumner.

The Cunningham correspondent to the *Sumner Star* says that arrangements are being perfected to send Virgie, the young son of William and Ellen McCart, deceased, to the county poor farm, he being feeble-minded and otherwise afflicted.

L. J. Harris of Salisbury, a well and favorably known Chariton county pedagogue, has wisely concluded not to embark in the newspaper business at Clifton Hill, Randolph county. Levi looked over the field thoroughly before reaching this conclusion.

Mrs. E. M. Conger died of pneumonia the 7th inst. at her home in Cunningham township, aged 38 years 1 month and 24 days. Deceased was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Dillon of Cunningham, and was a lady of devout Christian character. She leaves a husband and five children to mourn the death of a dutiful wife and affectionate mother.

An exchange says it takes a rich man to draw a check, a pretty girl to draw attention, a horse to draw a cart, a porous plaster to draw a pain, a toper to draw a cork, a free lunch to draw a crowd and an advertisement in a live home paper to draw trade. But if your spiders are in a weaving way, and you don't want to disturb them, never mind the trade, but let them go on with their spinning, while the clerks spin yarns.

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The establishing of the North Chariton Times at Sumner has caused a very perceptible improvement in the *Sumner Star*. It is, indeed, an ill-wind that blows nobody good. In this particular instance the readers of the *Star* are the beneficiaries.

J. G. Gallemore of the Salisbury *Press-Spectator* lost his pocket-book last week. As there was nothing in it suspicion at once attached to an editor as being the owner, and it was through this well grounded suspicion that Brother Gallemore's coin receptacle was restored to him. You can most usually tell an editor by his pocket-book.

The Chariton County *Republican* would like to see its Republican contemporary, the Chariton County *News*, turn its toes to the daisies, but the *News* gently retorts and says that it is the oldest Republican paper in the county, and vows that it has no idea of suspending publication. The truth is, each of these Republican sheets seems anxious for an opportunity to hold an inquest on the corpse of the other.

A cautious mother will always keep on hand a supply of Beggs Cherry Cough Syrup. A sudden cold may develop croup, and before you can reach a drug store the child may be past help. Delays are dangerous. We keep it. Sneed Drug Company.

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Capt. R. M. Scott of this city is in possession of a letter from Lieut. R. E. Coontz, a son of an old, but now dead, acquaintance of Capt. Scott. The letter bears date of December 11th, 1898, on board U. S. ship Charleston, off Cavite, Philippine islands, from which we make this extract: "It has been so hot here I have failed to write to anyone save my mother and wife. I am now near the end of a three years' cruise, and I hope to start home not later than the first of March. I started out on the flagship, Philadelphia, and cruised on her 20 months. In October, 1897, I joined the coast survey steamer, Patterson, being on the Pacific coast when war was declared. I could not get East, and hence came to the Charleston, May 1st. She is a good, effective ship. I was lucky enough to be present at the capture of the Ladrone islands, in June, and at the fall of Manila, August 13th. Many of our ships are being sent home. Our sick roll is now 1,000 and 700 are in one hospital. Admiral Dewey will not go home yet. He is the leading figure of the war, and we hope congress will make him a complete admiral. The Philippine commission has adjourned, and we expect to hold the islands."

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Mention Mention.

[Too late for last week.]

Mrs. Ader Belger of Independence, Mo., who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Keaton, for the past week, returned home, Tuesday morning.

Wm. Martin, who has a position with a Kansas City commission firm, spent a few days last week here with his family.

Chas. Grotz has purchased the livery interest here of P. T. Bridger and will conduct the same.

Chas. Grotz moved into the Ward property last Tuesday.

Mr. Ryals, a Macon horse-buyer, was here, Tuesday, trying to buy some horses and mules.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tillotson were in Brookfield, Monday.

Mrs. Columbus Kelly received a message, Tuesday, announcing the death of her niece at Laclede.

Not a minute need be wasted in curing your cold if you take Beggs Cherry Cough Syrup. It acts the quickest and surest of any known remedy. No matter how bad you cough, you can sleep if you take this remedy on going to bed. Kept by Sneed Drug Company.

PEACE TREATY RATIFIED.

The United States' peace treaty with Spain was ratified in the senate, Monday, Feb. 6th by a vote of 57 to 29. Senators Vest and Cockrell voted against ratification.

The leading provisions of the treaty are as follows:

Spain cedes to the United States Porto Rico and other Islands under Spanish sovereignty in the West Indies and the island of Guam in the Ladroneas.

Spain cedes to the United States all the archipelago known as the Philippine islands. The United States will pay to Spain \$20,000,000 within three months after exchange of ratification.

Spain's ships and merchandise will be admitted to all Philippine ports on the same terms as ships and merchandise of the United States for 10 years.

The United States will send back to Spain at its own cost the Spanish prisoners taken as prisoners of war at Manila, the arms of the soldiers to be returned to them.

Both countries will release all prisoners of war. Both countries relinquish all claims for indemnity, national and individual, that may have arisen since the beginning of the late insurrection in Cuba and prior to exchange of ratification. The United States will adjudicate and settle the claims of its citizens against Spain in territory relinquished by this article.

Spain relinquishes in Cuba and cedes in Porto Rico and other islands in the West Indies and Guam all buildings and other immovable property which belong to the public domain.

Spanish subjects remaining in relinquished or ceded territory may preserve allegiance to the crown of Spain by making a declaration of allegiance within a year. Otherwise they shall be held to have renounced it and to have adopted the nationality of the territory in which they reside.

Rights of property secured by copyrights and patents acquired by Spaniards in ceded territories shall continue to be respected, and Spanish scientific, literary and artistic works shall continue to be admitted free of duty for a period of 10 years.

The government of each country will for a period of 10 years accord to merchant vessels of the other country the same treatment in respect to all port charges as it accords to its own merchant vessels.

Any obligations assumed in the treaty by the United States with respect to Cuba are limited to the time of its occupancy; but upon the termination of such occupancy it will advise any new government to assume the same obligations.

Ratifications shall be exchanged at Washington within six months from December 10th, 1898.

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ALASKA is not "in it" with Hannibal, where the ice-cutters had to quit work on account of the cold weather.

SHE—Most people admire my mouth; do you? He (absent-mindedly)—I think it is simply immense.

A LONDONER claims that colds are caused by over heating. Then why is it that editors sometimes have colds?

PROF. THOS. J. SEE of Montgomery City, Mo., has been nominated by President McKinley to the position of professor of mathematics in the navy.

A POTTERY trust and a laundry trust have been formed. The former is liable to get cracked and the latter is sure of having a hard rub for its life.

AMONG the bills that should be passed by the Missouri legislature is the St. Louis police bill. The police force in that city is insufficient and the salaries are too small for the services rendered.

John E. Stewart, Carmel, Ind., writes: "My daughter has weak lungs and catches cold at almost every change of weather. We have tried many remedies, but nothing stops her cough equal to Beggs Cherry Cough Syrup." We keep it. Sneed Drug Company.

COL. HIRAM M. BLEDSOE, a veteran of the Mexican war, who commanded the famous Bledsoe battery during the civil war, died suddenly at his home in Pleasant Hill, Mo., Monday night, of last week, aged 75 years. His death was due to heart failure. He was apparently in the best of health up to within a few minutes before he expired.

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY has commuted ex-Commissionary-General Eagan's punishment from dismissal to suspension for six years on full pay. Eagan can now shake his own paw and congratulate himself upon his unusual privilege of drawing a good salary and doing nothing at the same time. At this turn in affairs we would not blame Gen. Miles for saying a few "cuss words."

THE following is a small boy's essay on the "Newspaper": "I don't know how newspapers came to be in the world, and don't think God does, for he hasn't got nothing to say about them, and 'editor' is not in the Bible. I think the editor is one of the missing links you hear about, and stayed in the brush till after the flood, then came out and wrote the whole thing up, and has been here ever since. I don't think he ever dies; I never saw a dead one, and never heard of one gettin' licked. Our paper is a mighty poor one; the editor goes 'bout under-clothes all winter, don't wear no socks, and paw hasn't paid his subscription in five years."

AN Iowa woman whose husband died recently sent the following communication to a local paper: "Mr. Editor, I desire to thank the friends and neighbors most heartily in this manner for the united aid and co-operation during the illness and death of my late husband who escaped from me by the hand of death on Friday last while eating breakfast. To the friends and all who contributed so willingly toward making the last moments and funeral of my husband a success, I desire to remember most kindly, hoping these few lines will find them enjoying the same blessing. I have also a good milk cow and roan gelding horse, eight years old, which I will sell cheap. 'God moves in a mysterious way his wonders to perform. He plants his footsteps on the sea and rides upon the storm,' also a black and white shote very low."

"That boy!" Hurrah for me! I'm that boy. Grandmother talks about me. She says: "There's that boy again!" I wonder if she wants me to be a girl? Then, whenever I go near the girl's playing doll tea party, they begin to grab up their things and cry, "Oh, there comes that boy!" I would just as soon be some other boy, but I can't. Papa asks, "What is that boy up to now?" Just as though a boy didn't have to be up to something or bust. What's wrong with being a boy? Papa was one, and grandma—she couldn't be. Papa is always saying, "When I was a boy," but he never asks grandma to tell what she knows about that time. I guess it's all right to be a boy, or God wouldn't make so many. But maybe I'm not the best kind. I could please grandma better. I guess I'll try. I'm tired of being "that boy."—Our Little People.

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Signs and Omens.

If you throw water out of the window you will have bad luck.

When the carpet is warped it is a sure sign of rain.

The falling of several tin pans at one time is a sure sign of a wedding.

To spill pepper is a sign of a quarrel.

To get a torn napkin at the table foretells a journey.

Water poured on the door sill is a sign of prosperity.

If paper burns on top of the stove you will have company.

A person who will never shut a door will never own a house.

If the coffee pot rocks on the stove it is a sure sign of visitors.

It is a sign of trouble to allow a cook stove to get red hot on top.

If you let a glass fall and it is not broken, great success awaits you.

If your apron becomes untied it is an indication that someone is talking about you.

When the sparks fly out of the fire, a young lady may expect a call from her sweetheart.

A young couple on going to house-keeping must have an old coffee pot to bring good luck.

When a rocking chair moves along while you rock in it, it is a sign you will have callers.

If you go out one door and come in at another, you will surely have company.

It is a sign you will hear bad news if you split a clothes pin when hanging out clothes.

To enter a house for the first time by the back door, means that you will meet with misfortune.

To forget to shut your door at night means that you will hear of a death that concerns you.

If while opening a can of fruit the juice should happen to spurt up in the operator's face, it is a good omen.

A maid on entering a new place, should first bring water from the well, to insure good friendship with the mistress.

It is unlucky for a servant to arrive at a new place of service so long as there is light enough to see to hang up her hat.—*Bowling Green Times.*

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